Delimitation clubbed with rotation of reserved seats

910. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY:

DR. SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA:

SHRI B. KRISHNA MOHAN:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Election Commission has sent a reminder recently on the need to establish Delimitation Commission, including rotation of reserved seats continuously;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken on this recommendation of Election Commission; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay in introducing suitable legislation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Attention is invited to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 574 dated 29-5-1985 providing details of the recommendation and the action being taken by the Government. Detailed examination is continuing within the Government and Government are committed to take final decisions expeditiously in consultation with political parties.

Demand for preferential treatment to small scale industries

911. SHRI ADINARAYANA REDDY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that during the 39th meeting of All India Small Scale Industries Board, the Chief Minister of Orissa sought preferential treatment for small units from backward States in respect of the purchase programmes of Central Government Departments; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of the Central Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Central Government purchases are made on All India basis and no preferential treatment is accorded on regional basis.

Simpson Company

912. DR. SHYAM SUNDAR MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether M/s. Simpson and Company of Madras (A Ford Collaboration) had represented to Governernment for excise duty relaxation on the manufacture of vehicles and on import of components on trucks which they manufactured; and

(b) whether Government are considering some relaxation in their favour?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) M/s. Simpson & Company have been representing for additional excise and custom duty concessions for manufacture of commercial vehicles.

(b) It has not been possible to accede to their request.

Bombay High Gas Pipeline to go via Malkapur

913. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:

SHRI SURESH KALMADI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state whether Government are reconsidering the proposal for Bombay High Gas pipe-line to go *via* Malkapur in Vidarbha?